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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 20, 2018
Room 201, Town Hall
Time: 7:00 pm

Present: Chairman Chris DiSilva, Selectman Melissa Levine-Piro, Selectman Cheryl Steele, Selectman David Gavin, Selectman Terrence Donovan. Acting Town Administrator Andrew Scribner-MacLean and Administrative Assistant Becky Mosca.

(This public meeting was recorded).

Public Comments: none

Legislative update from Senator Eldridge

The Senator introduced himself and spoke about how his agenda aligned with the Maynard community. He applauded the efforts of the staff in working toward common goals.

There are three areas he is focusing on to raise revenues:

1. Closing corporate tax loopholes and tax breaks.
2. An Act to sustain community preservation revenue (H.3662).
3. Supporting reasonable proposals to raise revenues on hosting services (such as Airbnb), water use, transportation, and water bottles.

During the FY19 budget process, my priorities will be to:

1. Protect local aid to my communities, including Chapter 70, Chapter 90, SPED Circuit breaker, lottery aid, and priorities full funding for regional school transportation.
2. Continue to work closely with my colleagues and Governor Baker to dramatically improve public transportation across the state, including the MBTA, RTAs, bus service, and roads and bridges.
3. Maintain funding for vital social safety net services, including programs to help the homeless, low-income families, at risk children, those with disabilities, and the elderly.
4. Begin to fully fund the recommendation of the Foundation Budget Review Commission.
5. Continue to advocate for significant investments in capital infrastructure, including transportation, water, higher education, libraries, and public schools.
6. Protect the environment, including water infrastructure, such that 1 percent of the budget is dedicated to the environment.

Legislative update from Representative Kate Hogan

The Representative spoke about some of her recent and upcoming projects:

1. Will work to increase local aid above the Governor's 3.5% for Maynard
2. She attended a recent meeting with School Committee members and parents group to understand why there is a difference in funding for regional and non-regional schools
3. All are invited to my "Kate Hogan's 8th Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration a fundraiser for The Boys & Girls Club of Assabet Valley *** Friday, March 16, 2018 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Maynard Country Club 50 Brown Street. All ages welcome
4. 495/ MetroWest Suburban Edge Community Commission will report on findings in the region in the coming months.
5. Increasing Access to Dental Care for residents who are either elderly, low-income and in rural areas.

Selectman, Levine-Piro, Thanked Senator Eldridge and Representative Hogan for their updates and remarked that the budget for Charter Tuition Reimbursement on the Cherry sheet looks like it is cut in half. Senator Eldridge agreed and noted that the Charter School formula is an issue.

Selectman Gavin, agrees with priorities and push for Senator Eldridge's item 5, as we need to upgrade our public safety buildings. There has to be away to help fund those needed buildings.

Rep Hogan commented that maybe working partner with MMA going forward to help fund, as we need cheerleaders to help fund.

Rep Hogan commented that perhaps establishing a working partnership with MMA going forward to fund infrastructure, would help. We need cheerleaders to help get funding.

Rep. Hogan said to look at the Stow – Fire and Senior Center, which was a short money fix for 2 needs in Stow.

Selectman Steele commented that we have crushing numbers in the Maynard budget and need help to offset all the needs.

Chair DiSilva wrapped up and thanked both Senator Eldridge and Representative Hogan for their time and updates.

Acceptance of Minutes: January 30, 2018

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to accept and approved minutes of January 30, 2018 as shown. Seconded by Selectman Steele. Vote 5-0 motion approved.

Acceptance of Minutes: February 6, 2018

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to accept and approved minutes of February 6, 2018 as shown. Seconded by Selectman Levine-Piro. Vote 5-0 motion approved.

List of Correspondences (mail to the Selectmen's Office for February 20, 2018). A- K.

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to accept the list of correspondences as shown A thru K. Second by Selectman Gavin. Vote 5-0 Motion approve

Gavin asked item A and B MassDOT Bridge reports, are we ok and does Maynard have to pay for repairs. Acting Town Admin, Andrew Scribner MacLean replied that, so far, those two bridges are ok and yes, we are responsible for repairs. Grants might be available when we need to make repairs. Item G. Letter regarding water and sewer rates. BOS requests (MW) work with Aaron in DPW for questions and answer. The Town's Public hearing is closed as of 11/2017. Item K letter from resident regarding Hayes Street. – BOS asked resident to work with Aaron DPW for current updates.

Consent Agenda

Request for the Assabet Valley Little League parade, Sunday, April 22, 2018 with rain date of Sunday, April 29, 2018

A. One-Day Permit - Parade

A motion was made Selectman DiSilva to accept and approve the consent agenda as shown. Second by Selectman Levine-Piro. Vote 5-0 motion approved.

Public Hearing: 7:45 pm

Application for Community Development Block Grant

TOWN OF MAYNARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Maynard Board of Selectmen
Approval of Community Development Block Grant
Application and Community Development Strategy

The Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on February 20, 2018 at 7:45 PM in the Michael J. Gianotis Room of Town Hall, 195 Main Street, Maynard, MA. The Town is applying to the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Staff will request the Board of Selectmen review and approve the Town's CDBG application. The application includes funding for the improvement of Veterans' Memorial Park, design work for rebuilding the central parking lot in the downtown, sidewalk and accessibility improvements, and support for the Boys and Girls Club. Board approval is also requested for the Community Development Strategy, which is part of the application. All interested persons are encouraged to provide input or comments regarding community renewal and these topics at this meeting time. For more information about these topics or the block grant program, please call the office of the Town Planner at 978-897-1302. The location of this meeting is accessible to people with disabilities and reasonable accommodations will be provided to person's requiring assistance. If you have a special accommodation need, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 978-897-1300.
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A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to accept and approve the application for the Community Development Block Grant as presented. Second by Selectman Gavin. Vote 5-0 Motion approve

Close hearing at 8:13 pm

Affordable Housing Trust appointment

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to approve William Cranshaw to the Affordable Housing Trust as representative from the Maynard Housing Trust Authority term June 30, 2019. Second by Selectman Gavin. Vote 5-0 Motion approve

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to approve Donna Dodson to the Affordable Housing Trust term June 30, 2019. Second by Selectman Donovan. Vote 5-0 Motion approve

Discussion with Chief Stowers Discuss, Strategic Plan

Chief Stowers- commented that he was hired in 2012. Chief Stowers has been building on his 5-year plan and that this is the same plan he has shown the Board back in September of 2017 with just a few updates.

Donovan asked about the call fire fighters – how many do we currently have? Chief Stowers indicated we now have eight call-ins.

Discuss Fee Increases

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to approve fees as presented for adoption for the Town of Maynard Fire Department as of July 1, 2018. Second by Selectman Steele. Vote 5-0 motion approved.

Special Town Meeting

Control J & K need approval

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to accept and approve Control J as shown. Second by Selectman Steele. Vote 5-0 motion approved.

Control O as amended by By-Law Committee

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to approve the amendment to Control O as shown. Second by Selectman Donovan. Vote 5-0 motion approved

A motion was made by Selectman DiSilva to approve the Special Town Meeting for Monday, March 26, 2018 as shown. Second by Selectman Levine-Piro. Vote 5-0 motion approved

Budget

Updates – since the joint budget meeting we now have a new deficit number for snow and ice but not including this past Saturday 2/17/18/18 storm. At \$188,416.00

The Town should receive the rates for health insurance 2/28/18. Note, the dental rates are the same.

Acting Town Administrator Report

Report as shown.

Chair Report; commented that the BOS during this meeting received email from School Committee request to be added to the next Board of Selectmen's meeting agenda. 3/6/18.

In addition, at the Joint Budget meeting a member asked if we could hold a town budget meeting to show the residents how we build the town budget the hour before the Annual Town Meeting. BOS agreed this would not be the best time to have this type of meeting.

Board Member Reports

Selectman Levine-Piro: Reminder to residents The Town Elections is May 1st, 2018. Anyone interested in running for any of the open seats on Boards, to visit the Town Clerks office or website. March 9th is the last date to pull papers to run for open seats.

Selectman Gavin: Congratulation's to the Maynard Girls basketball Team is doing very well this year. They are going to the State tournament. Reminder that our boys team won last year's tournament. "Just another reason to be proud of our kids".

Selectmen Donovan: Reminder, that the School Committee has openings and that this makes (3) major committees the town needs to fill vacancies.

Good Report – on the Acting Town Administrators' first week. Kick-off meeting with staff at town hall.

Selectmen Steele: Correspondence email from 2/1/2018 on the cannabis
Submitted the Fire Station Frequently asked questions and answers to have ready for the Special Town Meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Selectman DiSilva. Second by Selectman Donovan.
Vote 5-0 motion approved

Meeting ended at 9:12 pm.

Approved: _____

Date: 3/6/18



Selectman, Melissa Levine-Piro, Clerk

Initials: BJM